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1. USOM IS LOCATED IN A COMMERCIAL AREA IN MID-BANGKOK AND IS RELATIVELY INCONSPICUOUS. THE PREMISES ARE PROTECTED BY A FENCE ENCLOSURE APPROXIMATELY 7 FEET HIGH. THERE IS AN UNARMED USOM CONTRACT GUARD AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE GROUNDS AND A GUARD ON PATROL IN THE AREA JUST OUTSIDE THE 4 STORY BUILDING WHICH USOM SHARES WITH THE UN AND SEVERAL COMMERCIAL CONCERNS. THERE IS A USOM/RED OFFICE SUITE ON THE 3RD FLOOR AND THE 4TH FLOOR IS TOTALLY OCCUPIED BY USOM BANGKOK. THE USOM OFFICES BLEND WITH THE OTHER OCCUPANTS OF THE BUILDING AND THE ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES TAKEN TO IMPROVE THE PHYSICAL SECURITY OF THE USOM OFFICES WILL BE INCONSPICUOUS AND COMPATABLE WITH USOM OPERATIONS.

A) 1. INTERNAL PHYSICAL SECURITY BARRIERS WILL BE INSTALLED ON THE MAIN CORRIDOR LEADING TO RED 3RD FLOOR OFFICES AND ON THE MAIN CORRIDORS OF THE 4TH FLOOR LEADING TO USOM BANGKOK OFFICES.

2. METAL DETECTORS ARE NOT REQUIRED AT THIS TIME FOR VISITOR PACKAGE CONTROLS.

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3. THERE ARE NO PLANS FOR PROTECTED ENCLOSURES FOR GUARDS OR RECEPTIONIST.

4. THE OFFICES ARE LOCATED ON THE 3RD AND 4TH FLOOR, THERE IS NO NEED FOR MYLAR OR LEXON OR LEXAGUARD FOR USE IN PROTECTING WINDOWS.

B) 1. PERIMETER FENCES AND WINDOWNS DO NOT NEED FURTHER STRENGTHENING.

2. THERE IS NO NECESSITY FOR INSTALLING GRILLS ON 3RD AND 4TH FLOOR WINDOWS.

E. DOORS LEADING TO DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S SUITE AND OFFICES ON THE 3RD AND 4TH FLOOR ARE BEING STRENGTHENED AND ELECTRONIC LOCKING DEVICES WILL BE INSTALLED.

C) POST PRESENTLY HAS ON HAND SUFFICIENT AUTO ALARMS TO MEET USOM REQUIREMENTS. A FIRE ALARM SYSTEM IS PRESENTLY INSTALLED IN THE BUILDING AND AN EMERGENCY/TERRORIST ACTIVITY ALARM WILL BE INSTALLED SHORTLY. A CCTV SYSTEM MAY BE INSTALLED AT A LATER DATE.

D) 1. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DIRECT HIRE AMERICANS AT POST IS APPROXIMATELY 20 AND THEY HAVE ON HAND 8 PR 36'S.

2. USOM HAS BASE STATION. ADDITIONALLY, ALL USOM VEHICLES HAVE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS INTO A SEPARATE BASE STATION WHICH HAS INTERFACED WITH THE EMBASSY SECURITY NETWORK. COMMUNICATIONS ARE ADEQUATE FOR THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

3. USOM DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR HAVE MOBILE RADIOS IN THEIR OFFICIAL CARS AND THE UNIT SECURITY OFFICER'S VEHICLE IS BEING SO EQUIPPED.

E) USOM BUILDING HAS A MARINE GUARD ON DUTY AFTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HOURS AND ON WEEKENDS. THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF CLASSIFIED MATERIAL PRESENTLY STORED AT USOM IS CONFIDENTIAL. THIS DOES NOT REQUIRE MSG SUPERVISION, AND THE MSG WILL BE DROPPED AUGUST 31. USOM HAS CONTRACT GUARDS, UNIFORMED AND UNARMED. THEY PROVIDE CONTROL OF PERSONS ENTERING THE COMPOUND, AND PATROL THE GROUNDS ADJACENT TO USOM. THEY ALSO SCREEN AND PATROL THE 3RD AND 4TH FLOOR OFFICES OCCUPIED BY

USOM.

F) THE USOM DIRECTOR'S OFFICE IS NOT CAPABLE OF WITHSTANDING A DETERMINED ATTACK BY TERRORIST ELEMENTS.

1. THERE IS AN INTERCOM TELEPHONE SYSTEM ON ALL OFFICE PHONES.

2. THE ENTRANCE TO THE DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR SUITES WILL BE RE-ENFORCED WITH 1/4" STEEL PLATE.

3. APPROPRIATE LOCKING DEVICES WILL BE INSTALLED.

4. WINDOW PROTECTION IS NOT REQUIRED AS OFFICES ARE LOCATED ON THE 3RD AND 4TH FLOORS OF THE PREMISES.

G) THE OFFICIAL CAR OF THE DIRECTOR HAS BEEN ARMORED BY SY.

1. PERIMETER BARRIERS IN MANY OF THE RESIDENCES ARE INADEQUATE TO PREVENT A BURGLARY.

2. INTERCOM SYSTEMS ARE NOT NORMALLY INSTALLED IN RESIDENCES. USOM AND SY HAVE INSTITUTED A RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY ALARM PROGRAM WHICH WILL INCLUDE GOVERNMENT OWNED AND PRIVATE LEASED RESIDENCES. THIS SYSTEM HAS PROVED EFFECTIVE TO DATE.

3. MOST RESIDENCES DO NOT HAVE SAFE ROOMS AS SUCH. HOWEVER, STAFF ARE ADVISED TO SECURE THEIR BEDROOMS, TO PROTECT AGAINST INTRUSION BY BURGLARS.

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4. LIGHTING. THE LIGHTING IN MANY PRIVATE RESIDENCES IS INADEQUATE. THIS IS A MATTER FOR NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TENANT AND THE LANDLORD.

I. USOM PROVIDES REIMBURSEMENT TO THEIR STAFF UP TO 1,000 BAHT PER MONTH FOR CONTRACT GUARDS. THESE GUARDS ARE UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE PERSON CONTRACTING THEIR SERVICES. THE DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF USOM HAVE GUARDS ON THEIR RESIDENCES WHO ARE CONTRACTED THROUGH EXECUTIVE ENTERPRISES LIMITED. THIS COMPANY PROVIDES GUARD SERVICES TO U.S. MISSION OFFICIALS, AND BUILDINGS. THEY ARE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE UNIT SECURITY OFFICER AND

THE RSO.

J) THE MISSION PRESENTLY PROVIDES INSTRUCTION AND GUIDANCE AGAINST CRIME, AND OTHER PHYSICAL SECURITY THREATS AND SUPPLIES BURGLARY ALARMS SYSTEMS, AND LOCKING DEVICES. HOWEVER, THE MAIN THRUST OF PROTECTION AGAINST BURGLARY IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EMPLOYEE.

MOST SECURITY REQUIREMENTS ARE MET THROUGH THE SERVICES OF THE SY AT POST. USOM WILL SHORTLY SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO COVER THOSE ITEMS OF PHYSICAL SECURITY CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN FUNDED.
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